(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that there are serious corruption charges against him regarding bank loans advanced to this company; and

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Establishment of food processing industries for exports

2022. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to encourage the establishment of food processing industries meant for exports only; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) This Ministry encourages the establishment of food processing industries both exports and for the domestic market. The encouragement to establishment of food processing industries for exports is provided through the scheme for setting up 100 per cent Export Oriented Units, setting up of units in Export Processing Zones etc., FOI which certain concessions are provided.

Establishment of Public Sector Undertaking for producing proceed foods

2023. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are getting food response for establishment of public Sector Undertakings for producing processed food items;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the countries from which the Government is getting response for setting up such Public Sector Undertakings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Request from M/s. Dharam Sugars and Chemicals for change of location

2024. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have received any request from M/s. Dharam Sugars and Chemicals Ltd. Madras, for change of location to Bhadrakha Sub-Division of Balasore District of Orissa and transfer of Letter of Intent in their favour; and

(b) if so, what decision Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Amul brand produce of major dairies

2025. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the Times of India dated the 8th February, 1992, to the effect that some of the large Cooperatives such as GCMMF which sells Amul brand produce of major dairies in Gujarat continues to sell buttar without making price as required, and if so, corrective steps taken in Union Territories and in any other State; and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there are any similar Co-operatives anywhere in the country which are defying such elementary laws of the land and selling farm produce in packs without marking price and if so, details thereof and action taken thereon; and

(c) whether Government as a first step will withdraw all loans, grants and other support and recognition from such Government supported Cooperatives and also black list them and cancel their import licenses apart from other punitive action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) Under the Standards of Weights and Measures (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 1977, no declaration as to the sale price and month and year of manufacturing/packing are required to be made on uncanned packages of butter. Butter being not a controlled item, the concerned trade and industry determines the price.

Development of Food Processing Industry in M.P.

2026. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any action plan for the development of food processing industry in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative the reasons therefor; and

(d) what action Government propose to take for the development of food processing industry in Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (d) This Ministry has formulated several developmental plan schemes for the 8th Plan under which assistance is provided to State Government organisations/cooperative societies/voluntary agencies/joint sector/public sector organisations for the development of food processing industries in the States. The State Governments have been requested to formulate suitable schemes for the development of food processing industries for the 8th Plan keeping in view the potential available in their respective States.

Joint ventures in deep sea fishing

2027. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are large number of proposals for joint ventures in deep sea fishing and sea food business involving fishing companies from USA, Japan and Saudi Arabia; and

(b) if so, the details of the projects under consideration and the present state of negotiations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) While no proposal for joint venture in deep sea fishing with Saudi Arabian company has been received, one joint venture proposal for deep sea fishing and processing in collaboration with a U.S.A. company has been cleared. Another joint venture proposal with a Japanese company which envisages fishing operation and on-board processing with a factory ship of 110 m overall length in Indian Exclusive Economic Zone for production of 'Surimi' and fish meal is under consideration.

Violation of commitments by Pepsi

2028. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to newsitem which appeared in the Economic Times dated 30th April, 1992 captioned "Ministry is